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INPUT DEVICE HAVING PLURALITY OF For: **FUNCTION SWITCHES** 

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## **AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This is in Reply to the Office Action, mailed on February 12, 2004 in the above referenced application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, reexamination and allowance of claims 1 – 22 in view of the following claim addition/amendments and remarks.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.